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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action dated April 18, 2005, having a shortened statutory period expiring May 18, 2005.

Applicants elect Group I claims 1-22, without traverse.

In view of the election herein, the application is believed to be in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is solicited. Nonetheless, should any issues remain that might be subject to resolution through a telephonic interview, the examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned.

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